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EJ640407609US (Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b)) Express Mail Label No. Mail Stop Patent Application APPLICATION ELEMENTS Commissioner for Patents ADDRESS TO: P.O. Box 1450 See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents. Alexandria VA 22313-1450 CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or 1. Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17) (Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing) Computer Program (Appendix) Applicant claims small entity status. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission See 37 CFR 1.27. (if applicable, all necessary) 3. Specification [Total Pages Computer Readable Form (CRF) (preferred arrangement set forth below) Descriptive title of the invention
 Cross Reference to Related Applications b. Specification Sequence Listing on: - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix Background of the Invention - Brief Summary of the Invention - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed) Statements verifying identity of above copies - Detailed Description **ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS** - Claim(s) - Abstract of the Disclosure Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s)) 4. Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement Power of 10. (when there is an assignee) Attorney 5. Oath or Declaration [Total Sheets 11. English Translation Document (if applicable) a. Newly executed (original or copy) Copies of IDS 12. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Citations Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) Preliminary Amendment (for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed) Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized) **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)** 15. Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) (if foreign priority is claimed) name in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b). 16 l Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent. Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76 17. L Other: 18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in the first sentence of the specification following the title, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76: ✓ Continuation of prior application No.: .10/409,255..... Continuation-in-part (CIP) Divisional Prior application information: Examiner Unknown Art Unit: 3737

For CONTINUATION OF DIVISIONAL APPS only; The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts. 19. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS **Customer Number:** OR Correspondence address below Name Kimberly V. Perry U.S. Surgical, a division of Tyco Healthcare Group LP Address 150 Glover Avenue State CT City Zip Code Norwalk 06856 Country Telephone Fax 203-845-4562 203-845-4266 Name (Print/Type) Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) | 43,612 Kimberly V. Perry Signature Date CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.10

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